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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Kazuyuki NISHI

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Mail Stop AF Non-Fee Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed January 20, 2004.